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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - GROUND SERVICES AT ROME AIRPORT

REF: STATE 44016 AND PREVIOUS

1. EMBOFF PRESENTED NOTE VERBALE ON MONOPOLISTIC AND DISCRIMINATORY GROUND SERVICES AT ROME AIRPORTS (FIUMICINO AND CIAMPINO) TO MINISTRY FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MFA) ON MARCH 5, USING ARGUMENTATION SUGGESTED REFTTEL.

2. MFA REP FIACCADORI (DIRECTOR, CIVAIR AFFAIRS) RECEIVED NOTE WITHOUT OFFERING REBUTTAL. HIS ONLY COMMENT WAS TO EFFECT THAT "WHAT DOES USG EXPECT MFA TO BE ABLE TO DO IN THIS SITUATION," WHEN NEW REGIME AT ROME AIRPORTS RESULTS FROM AGREEMENT AT POLITICAL LEVEL INVOLVING GOI, UNIONS AND ROME AIRPORTS AUTHORITY (SAR). EMBOFF REPLIED THAT SITUATION ALSO INVOLVED CERTAIN INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS AND ACCEPTED INTERNATIONAL PRACTICES WHICH WERE PROPERLY WITHIN PURVIEW OF MFA AND THAT USG EXPECTS MFA TO INITIATE DISCUSSIONS AMONG INTERESTED ITALIAN AGENCIES AND OTHER PARTIES IN EFFORT TO FIND MUTUALLY SATISFACTORY SOLUTION TO PRESENTLY UNACCEPTABLE SITUATION.

3. COMMENT. FIACCADORI OBVIOUSLY UPSET AT USG RAISING THIS  
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HIGHLY POLITICAL ISSUE. HIS RELUCTANCE DISCUSS MATTER  
UNDOUBTEDLY REFLECTS BELIEF THAT IT WILL BE ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE  
GET UNIONS TO AGREE TO LETTING FOREIGN AIRLINES PROVIDE OWN  
GROUND SERVICES AT SOME FUTURE DATE SHOULD AIRLINES DESIRE  
DO SO. EMBASSY SHARES THIS ASSESSMENT, BUT BELIEVES IT  
MIGHT BE POSSIBLE OBTAIN AGREEMENT ON LETTING AIRLINES SELECT  
OFF-AIRPORT CATERER TO PROVIDE IN-FLIGHT FOOD SERVICE, SHOULD  
AIRLINES BELIEVE THIS DESIRABLE. WE WILL APPROACH  
MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT IN THIS MATTER AT EARLIEST  
APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITY. VOLPE

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